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# Spotlight on Support for Democracy in Latin America and the Caribbean

Support for democracy in the Latin America and Caribbean (LAC) region has increased since 2018/2019

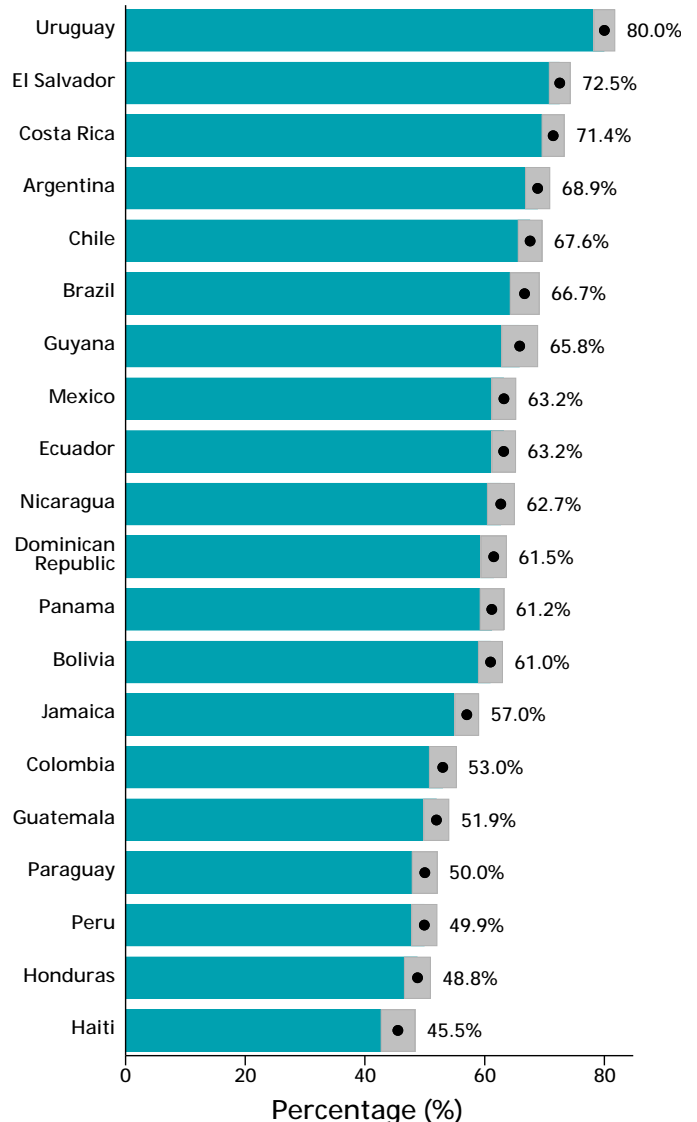
## In most LAC countries, a majority of respondents support democracy

Since 2004, LAPOP's AmericasBarometer has measured support for democracy in the LAC region with the following question:

In the 2021 round, this question was included in surveys in 20 LAC countries. Respondents indicated their opinion using a 1 to 7 scale, where 1 means "not at all" and 7 means "a lot." Here we recode responses into a dichotomous variable, which allows us to estimate the percentage of people in each country that support democracy. Specifically, responses were recoded to indicate support for democracy by combining responses "5" through "7" into one category, while placing the remaining responses ("1" through "4") into a baseline category.

The country with the highest support for democracy in the LAC region is Uruguay (80.0%), while respondents in Haiti (45.5%) demonstrate the lowest support for democracy in the LAC region. In the majority of countries in 2021, more than half of individuals support democracy.

Support for Democracy, 2021



95% Confidence Interval (with Design-Effects)

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